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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AMGT, NZ

SUBJECT: REPLY TO "WELCOME ABOARD" CABLE

REF: WELLINGTON 03500

1. GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR GOOD WISHES AS CONVEYED REFTEL. WHILE CHANGEOVER IS NOT YET COMPLETE AND OLD GUARD IS STILL CARRYING MUCH OF THE WORK LOAD, WE WELCOME PROPOSAL FOR CLOSE, MUTUALLY SUPPORTIVE EFFORT TO MAINTAIN EFFECTIVE RELATIONS WITH GNZ AND PACIFIC ISLAND GOVERNMENTS. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO HAVE CHARLES TWINING AND HARLAN LEE VISIT WELLINGTON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WITH REGARD TO OTHER ITEMS CITED REFTEL, FOLLOWING IS KEYED TO YOUR NUMBERS AND LETTERS.

2. (A) TRANSIT CIRCLE FACILITY: REPLY CONVEYED BENNETT/ HEALY TELECON OF 7/7 FOLLOWED BY TELEGRAM SENT 7/8.

(B) BELL VISIT: SEE STATE 172800. ALSO CONVEYED
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ABOVE TELECON.

(C) SELDEN ARTICLE: PROCESS OF OBTAINING CLEARANCES
ALMOST COMPLETED. DOREA GAYS OF POTOMAC-ASIA COMMUNICATIONS

INFORMED BENNETT 7/7 THAT DEADLINE COULD BE EXTENDED TO
7/14 IF NECESSARY. WILL PHONE CHANGES COB 7/10.

(D) TONGAN BANK: L/EA IS ATTEMPTING TO ASCERTAIN REQUESTED INFORMATION.

(E) U.S. TROOPS IN EAST TIMOR: CIRCULAR GUIDANCE UNDER PREPARATION AND CLEARANCE FOR SOME TIME APPROVED BY UNDERSECRETARY NEWSOM 7/6 AND 5 SENT AS STATE 171579 7/7.

(F) COOK ISLANDS ILLICIT PAYMENTS: REPLY SENT STATE 1540754 6/17. DO YOU WISH FURTHER ACTION?

(G) NZ TAX LAW STUDY 1: LOUIS FIELDS OF L/SSP, WITH WHOM AMB. SELDEN TALKED RE THIS SUBJECT WHEN HE WAS LAST HERE, IS OUT OF WASHINGTON. FIELDS WILL RETURN 7/10 FOR ONE DAY AND WE HAVE LEFT MESSAGE ASKING HIM TO CALL US ABOUT THIS MATTER.

(H) CRIMINAL ENTERPRISES STATUS: WLG 03278 OF 6/22/78 WAS NOT RECEIVED IN DEPT. PLEASE REPEAT CABLE ATTENTION EA/ANZ.

(I) COLLECTIVE BARGAINING TRAINING: EA LABOR ADVISOR HAS ASKED LABOR DEPT. AND AFL/CIO TO SUGGEST PROGRAM. THIS WILL BE CONVEYED AS SOON AS IT IS RECEIVED.
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(J) HEALY-MALMBORG LETTER: WE ARE CHECKING WITH L/M AND WILL REPLY SEPTEL.

(K) AMB.'S VISIT TO WESTERN SAMOA: HARVEY WEXLER, SENIOR VP OF CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, STATES THAT CONTINENTAL AND GOWS HAVE DISCUSSED JOINT ADVERTISING PROMOTIONS, TOUR PACKAGING, AND MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE FOR POLYNESIAN AIRLINES. ASSISTANCE WOULD INCLUDE MAINTENANCE, CREW TRAINING, TICKETING PROCEDURES, BAGGAGE HANDLING, REVENUE ACCOUNTING AND OTHER PROCEDURES. IT WOULD NOT RPT NOT INCLUDE AIRCRAFT LEASING.

(L) ANSWERABILITY OF USN SHIP CAPTAINS TO WRITS: PM IS RESEARCHING THIS 1976 REQUEST.

(M) GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: AS MENTIONED IN GALLAGHER/ HEALY TELECON IN MARCH, WELLINGTON 01035 WAS ACCEPTED PRACTICALLY WITHOUT CHANGES AS THE NEW ZEALAND AND

PACIFIC PORTION OF THE COUNTRY OBJECTIVES PAPER. OBJECTIVES PAPERS HAVE NOT BEEN SENT TO FIELD BECAUSE

OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN NSC AND DEPT. OVER DISTRIBUTION.
WE ARE POUCHING A PERSONAL COPY TO YOU.

(N) IMPLEMENTATION OF ARMS POLICY GUIDANCE; WE
ARE CHECKING THIS WITH PM.

3. MINUTES OF ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING ARE BEING
TRANSCRIBED AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO WELLINGTON AS SOON
AS THEY ARE COMPLETED. (FYI REPORT REQUIRED BY 11 FAM
644.1 IS ONE PAGE UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF MEETING.
END FYI) DEPT. IS INTERESTED IN COMMENTS ABOUT ANZUS
OFFICIALS MEETING. NEW ZEALAND EMBASSY INDICATED IN
LATE MAY THAT FOREIGN MINISTER TALBOYS MIGHT FORMALLY
RAISE ISSUE AT COUNCIL MEETING, BUT HE DID NOT DO SO.
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EA/ANZ WAS UNAWARE THAT IT WAS BROUGHT UP WITH
ABRAMOWITZ AND ARMACOST BUT DOES KNOW THAT TALBOYS RAISED
ISSUE WITH ASST. SEC. HOLBROOKE DURING VICE PRESIDENT'S
VISIT AND THAT POSSIBILITY OF OFFICIALS MEETING IN
HONOLULU WAS MENTIONED. WE WILL DISCUSS QUESTION WITH
HOLBROOKE ON HIS RETURN FROM HONIARA. IN THE MEANTIME,
HAS GNZ CONSULTED GOA ON THIS ISSUE? IF SO, WHAT IS
GOA POSITION?
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